

Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for carefully considering the subject application.

In the Office action mailed January 10, 2005, the Examiner indicates that claims 1-4, 7-15 and 33 are allowed. The Examiner also indicates that claim 35 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicants have cancelled claims 5, 6, 24 and 16-32 and rewritten claim 35 in independent form to pass allowed subject matter to issuance.

Based on the foregoing comments, the above-identified application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such allowance is courteously solicited. If any further amendment is necessary to advance prosecution and place this case in allowable condition, the Examiner is courteously requested to contact the undersigned by fax or telephone at the number listed below.

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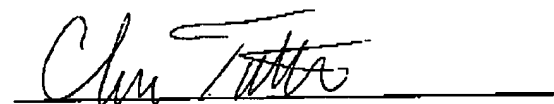
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